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ITS USE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract filed with the attached Abstract hereto.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, delete "AGW2503" in the upper left corner.

Please replace paragraph [0001] as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention--

Please replace paragraph [0002] as follows:

The invention relates to a method for testing active substances on cells in-vitro, a device, and a process for testing employing the device.